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## RESPONSE

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 1, 2000 (Paper No. 4), the period of response to which has been extended by a Petition for Extension of Time filed concurrently herewith, Applicants present the following remarks.

## REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are pending. Favorable consideration and allowance of these claims in view of the remarks herein is respectfully requested.